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1. FONOFF HAS CONVEYED TO EMBASSY GOES CONCERN FOR WHAT APPEARS TO BE CAB DISCRIMINATION IN ITS REQUIREMENTS FOR CHARTER FLIGHTS \$3 5INED TO C.A. FONOFF ARGUMENT IS SIMILAR TO ONE EXLPAINED IN REFTEL A, THAT CAB REQUIRES CHARTER FLIGHTS TO C.A. BE COMPLETELY SOLD OUT 30 DAYS IN ADVANCE, WHILE SIMILAR FLIGHTS TO MEXICO AND CARIBBEAN NEED TO BE SOLD OUT ONLY 15 DAYS IN ADVANCE. USING LIMITED GUIDANCE SUPPLIED REFTEL B, EMBASSY RESPONDED THAT INTERESTED PARTIES HAD TO REQUEST FROM CAB WAIVER OF 30-DAY ADVANCE-SALE REQUIREMENT. ACCORDING TO FONOFF, NATIONWIDE LEISURE CORP., JOEL S. NADEL, CHAIRMAN, ONE HUNTINGTON QUADRANGLE, MELVILLE, NEW YORK 11746 HAS FILED SUCH A PETITION BEFORE CAB.

2.GOES IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN WAIVER, AS NATIONWIDE LEISURE IS PLANNING A LARGE NUMBER OF CHARTERS TO EL SALVADOR. PLAN IS FOR TWO 707'S PER WEEK BEGINNING DEC 76 AND CONTINUING THROUGH MAY 77. GIVEN PRIORITY GOES PLACES ON DEVELOPMENT OF ITS TOURIST POTENTIAL, ANY APPARENTLY DISCRIMINATORY ACTION BY CW UNCLASSIFIED

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FELT AND COULD BECOME A SENSITIVE ISSUE.

3. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE STATUS REPORT ON NATIONWIDE LESIURE CORPS CAB PETITION AND STRONGLY RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF PETITION TO BRING C.A. CHARTERS IN LINE WITH SIMILAR FLIGHTS TO MEXICO AND CARIBBEAN. IF PETITION IS DENIED, EMBASSY WOULD LIKE AS EARLY WARNING AS POSSIBLE, WITH APPROPRIATE IN-DEPTH GUIDANCE ON HOW TO RESPOND TO CLAIM THAT SUCH AN ACTION IS DISCRIMINATORY TO C.A. LUBENSKY

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